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TAGS: SOPN, UR, AO
SUBJECT: SOVIET TV PORTRAYS NETO IN GOOD HEALTH

REF: BISSAU 439

1. SOVIET TV CARRIED LENGTHY FILM CLIP OF ANGOLAN
PRESIDENT NETO ON REGULAR EVENING NEWS PROGRAM "VREMYA"
APRIL 17. NETO, DRESSED IN BUSINESS SUIT, WAS SHOWN ON
A VISIT TO A PIONEER CAMP WHICH APPEARED TO BE LOCATED
IN SOUTHERN PART OF SOVIET UNION. SEEMINGLY IN GOOD
CONDITION, HE STROLLED AROUND THE CAMP AND, THROUGH AN
INTERPRETER, CHATTED WITH THE CHILDREN AT THE CAMP.

2. COMMENT: SOVIETS AND ANGOLANS OBVIOUSLY FELT THIS
TO BE AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO REFUTE PERSISTENT RUMORS
OF NETO'S DEATH AND REPORTS OF HIS EXTREMELY POOR STATE
OF HEALTH. SUCH SOVIET MEDIA COVERAGE OF "NON OFFICIAL"
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VISITS BY FOREIGN LEADERS IS MOST UNUSUAL. WE ADD THE
CAUTIONARY NOTE THAT WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHEN
FOOTAGE OF NETO WAS ACTUALLY SHOT. TOON

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